UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

-against-

MICHAEL ROBERTS,

Defendant.

ANALISA TORRES, District Judge:

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ORDER

The Court will hold an initial conference in this action on **March 24, 2021**, at **2:00 p.m.**, using the Court's Skype for Business platform. *See In re Coronavirus/Covid-19 Pandemic*, 20 Misc. 176, ECF No. 5 (S.D.N.Y. Mar. 11, 2021) (Criminal proceedings "cannot in all instances be conducted in person without seriously jeopardizing public health and safety . . . video teleconferencing, or telephone conferencing if video conferencing is not reasonably available, may be used in such proceedings with the consent of the defendant"). Chambers will provide the parties with instructions on how to appear via video.

To optimize the quality of the video feed, only the Court, Defendant, defense counsel, and counsel for the Government will appear by video for the proceeding; all others may participate by telephone. Co-counsel, members of the press, and the public may access the audio feed of the conference by calling 917-933-2166 at the time of the hearing, and entering access code 103527152.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: March 23, 2021

New York, New York

ANALISA TORRES United States District Judge